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MILWAUKEE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MEMBER EXPECTATIONS

"Big Picture" Knowledge of Organization and Industry

- 1. Know and advocate for the organization's mission to create a personcentered, recovery oriented, trauma informed, culturally intelligent and community based approach to the individuals we serve.
- 2. Understand the services offered by the Behavioral Health Division and their value to the community.
- 3. Understand the legal issues which impact the delivery of services
- 4. Become an active student of the behavioral health industry including trends and issues.
- 5. Act in accordance with one's role as a governing body and with high ethical and moral standards.

Policies and Procedures

- 1. Know the organization's policies and procedures regarding staff and board member activities (including conflict of interest policy, confidentiality policy, and code of ethics, whistleblower policy, and chain of command).
- 2. Know what the process is for evaluating executive performance and compensation as well as the policy for board expense reimbursement.
- 3. Understand the role of union representation in employee matters.
- 4. Understand and support the Medical Staff Organization and its leadership role.

Meetings and Events

- 1. Attend every Board meeting, committee meetings and other organizational events as requested. Inconsistent attendance can lead to removal from Board.
- 2. Spend the time to review board packets distributed prior to each board meeting, including the agenda, noting items for information, items for action and items for strategic discussion.
- 3. Actively participate in the discussion of items brought to the Board.

Regulatory Matters

- 1. Understand at a high level the federal, state and Joint Commission requirements which govern the delivery or services.
- 2. Be aware of any current compliance issues relative to State or Federal surveys.

Financial Oversight

- 1. Review and understand the organizations quarterly financial statements
- 2. Understand and provide input to the organization's budget as it is developed.
- 3. Monitor compliance with budget targets and support corrective actions if required.
- 4. Participate in review and approval of selected contracts.